# Summer Food Service Program

Program Simplifications for Summer 2011





#### **Overview**

- Simplification memoranda
- Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 implementation guidance
- Questions



### **Simplification Memoranda**

- For -profit sites
- Site monitoring requirements
- Meal time restrictions
- Offer versus serve
- Existing flexibilities
- Summer school sites



#### **For-profit Sites**

Memorandum SFSP 13-2011 (April 8, 2011):

- Allows SFSP meals to be served at certain for-profit sites
- States may approve for-profit meal sites that meet certain criteria including:
  - Sponsor must be public or non-profit
  - Site must be open
  - Site must be area eligible
  - Site must serve meals at no charge



### Site Monitoring Requirements

Memorandum SFSP 12-2011 (April 5, 2011):

- Waives the requirement that sponsors must visit a summer site within the first week, if that site operated successfully the previous year
- Previously, sponsors were required to review sites within the first four weeks, regardless of performance history

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#### **Meal Time Restrictions**

Memorandum SFSP 11-2011 (April 5, 2011):

- Waives the requirement that 3 hours must elapse between meals/snacks
- Waives the 2 hour time limit for lunch and supper and the 1 hour time limit for breakfast and snacks

#### **Offer Versus Serve**

Memorandum SFSP 11-2011 (April 5, 2011):

- Expands the use of offer versus serve (OVS)to all sponsors
- Schools may use OVS method used for school meals
- For other sponsors, a child may decline item at breakfast and up 2 at lunch or supper
- OVS is not available for snacks



#### **Existing Flexibilities & Requirements**

- Application deadlines for schools and other sponsors may be aligned
- Applications must be reviewed within 30 days of submission
- Applications for emergency feeding sites can be waived for existing sponsors
- On-line training is permitted



#### **Summer School Sites**

- Summer school sites may participate in the SFSP only as open sites
- Summer schools that serve only enrolled students may continue their participation in the NSLP and/or SBP



### Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010

- Eligibility and site limits for nonprofits
- Permanent agreements
- Outreach



## Eligibility and Site Limits for Nonprofits

- Eliminates the limit on the number of sites nonprofits can operate
- States may still waive the 200 site maximum limit



#### **Permanent Agreements**

- Provides administrative relief to State agencies and Sponsors
  - Requires permanent agreements between State agencies and sponsor



## Outreach to Households about SFSP

 Ensures that families of children receiving free and reduced price meals are informed about the availability of summer meals



